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**Caledonian Mercury,**

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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

Edinburgh, Thursday October 4, 1722.

*From the Evening Post, Sept. 29.*

*Since our last arrived a Mail from Holland.*

*Versailles, October 2.*

**E**VERY Thing being ready the 29th. of last Month, for a General Assault of Fort Montrevil, the King caused the Governor to be summoned to surrender, but he refused to comply, answering, That he was in a Condition to hold out longer; thereupon the Besiegers attack'd the two Bastions: They lodg'd themselves at the Foot of the Queen's Bastion, and became Masters also of that of the King, at the Entrance of which the Besieg'd had intrench'd themselves. The King having enter'd that Bastion, the Besieg'd beat the Chamade, and sent to his Majesty M. de la Motte, the King's Lieutenant, and first Ingenier of the Place, to demand to capitulate: The King granted them an Honourable Capitulation.

The next Day in the Afternoon, the King saw the Garrison of the Fort march out at the Breach, and pass between the four Barallions of his own Regiment, with Drums beating and Colours flying, and other Honours of War.

The Attack and Defence of that Fort, has given the King a very perfect Idea of the Manner of besieging a Place, and the Representation has prov'd a very instructive Amusement to his Majesty, who was very intent in beholding all the Attacks, and the several Kinds of Works. The whole was conducted with admirable Order, and his Majesty seems mighty pleased at this Warlike Exercise, in which the Officers of the King's own Regiment. M. de Bezons Brigadier, commanding the Artillery, M. de la Voy Brigadier, and Chief Contriver of the Dispositions observ'd at the Siege, have each in their respective Stations, given Proofs of their Capacity, and their Zeal in meriting the King's Approbation and Favour. The Chevalier de Peze has extraordinarily distinguish'd himself by conducting the Attacks.

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*From the Evening Post.*

*Rome, September 12.* 'Tis talked, That the Great Duke of Tuscany has made a Will in Favour of the House of Bavaria, but this wants Confirmation. The Ambassador of Malta is very Industrious in spreading Accounts of the prodigious Preparations he says are making in Barbary, for attacking that Island.

*Hague,* Mr. Manning, who was Resident of Great Britain in Switzerland, arrived here some Days ago, and is gone for England.

*Paris, October 3.* The Lord Whitworth, Plenipotentiary of the King of Great Britain, sets out next Week for Cambray, as will also the Count de St. Contest, from whence it's conjectured, that the Congress to be held at that Place will shortly begin. Part of the King's Musick, both of his Royal Chappel and Chamber will be sent to Rheims against the Coronation, at which Solemnity the Bishop of Soissons is to officiate as Dean, and the Bishop of Amiens as Sub Dean. The Bishop of Angers, who is to preach the Coronation Sermon, sets out this Day. Our Kings being obliged to perform at St. Marcon, within 4 Leagues of Rheims a Fast of Nine Days, or cause it to be done by Proxy, before they touch for the Evil. His Majesty has appointed Mr. Dargentre Dean of Eis, to discharge that Duty, and his Majesty will repair thither the Day after his Coronation, and touch such Persons as shall then be presented to him according to ancient Custom. We hear the King has presented the Marquis de Peze with 100000 Livres to indemnifie him for the vast Expence he has been at during the Siege, of the Fort near Versailles. 'Tis said that Fort is to be kept standing till next Year, and more Works added to it, Mr. Desclavells who commanded it during the Siege, has obtained a Pension of 4000 Livres, and been honoured with a great Cross of the Military Order of St. Lewis.

The Preparations the Duke de Bourbon is making for the Entertainment he designs to give the King, and the whole Court, when they return from Rheims, are so extraordinary, that its computed the Expence will amount to upwards of 500000 Crowns. No less than 20000 Flambeaus, have been provided for a Hunting Match, which is to be in the Night-time. The stately Coach which was made here for the Electoral Prince of Bavaria, was sent away yesterday, it is the Richest that ever was seen here, all Persons of Distinction in this City, both French and Foreign have been to view it, it is lined within, and covered at the Top with Crimson Velvet richly embroidered with Gold. The Painting of the Pannels Azure and Gold.

*London, September 27.* Yesterday in the Evening about 7, Two Messengers went down to fetch up the Earl of Orrery with his Secretary, at his Lordship's Seat at Brittel, about 24 Miles, off, and are expected to be brought up this Day. This Morning Mr. Delafaye, with an Officer and 2 Messengers, went to his Lordship's House in Glais-hause-street near Swallow Street, and searched the same for Papers.

Orders are given for a Party of Horse of Colonels Fanes Regiment to march to Maidstone, and a Party of Dragoons to Chichester.

On Tuesday Evening the Lord North and Grey, was seized in the Isle of Wight, upon Suspicion of being on his Way to France without a Licence.

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Yesterday Mr. Fleetwood was taken into Custody of a Messenger, in Holburn as he was going in Coach to Handon.

This Morning Mr. Snow, an Inspector of the Customs, took on board a Vessel, a Gentleman about 17 Years of Age, with a large Packet of Letters coming, as is supposed from France.

Some private Letters from Brussels say, that the *Chevalier de St. George* was gone thro' Liege.

Last Tuesday Night an Express arrived here from France of great Importance.

Mr. Swathfeger, my Lord Lord North and Grey's Secretary, was taken last Night at his Lordships House in Town. Yesterday an Officer in a Coach and Six attended by 2 Messengers, set out to bring to Town the Lord North and Grey.

John Salt, and Sarah Charlotte Salt, his reputed Wife, stood on the Pillory at Chancery Lane End in Fleet Street; he for personating a young Gentleman of the Temple, and marrying her in his Name, and she for consenting to it, and running the said Gentleman in Debt. They were pelted so severely by the Mob, that the Pillory was thrown down, and the Man lay under it a short Time.

Orders are sent to Hyde Park for the Horse to decamp on Munday next, but the Foot Guards are that Day to Hut.

Orders are also sent to the several Camps in the Country for them to decamp next Munday, and to go into their several Quarters assigned them.

Sunday Morning last, Mr. Shippen's House, (Member of Parliament) was searched in Northfolk Street, by some Messengers for Papers.

Tuesday Morning Mr. Fountain, an Oculist, was seized, and being examined at Noon, was committed into the Custody of a Messenger.

*From the Whitehall Evening Post.*

*Leghorn, Sept. 12.* There is Advice from Malta, That all the Ships of that Island are put to Sea again, that the Turkish Squadron is sailed to the Archipelago, and that the Corsairs of Barbary are returned home, being very Cautious of falling into the Hands of the Spanish and Dutch Squadrons.

*Genoa, Sept. 12.* The British Man of War which was here several Days, is sailed to Lisbon. Three English Merchant Ships, which are arrived here, saw Two French Men of War belonging to Brest, who are cruising on the Rovers of Salee. The Master of another English Ship come from Napoli di Romania, reports, That the Turkish Squadron were returning to Constantiople.

*Paris, September 28.* Next Week Count Morville sets out for Cambridge. Last Sunday the Popes Nuncio, who is to assist at the King's Coronation, made his publick Entry, and had Audience of his Majesty.

*Brussels, October 1.* The Emperor has not yet, and perhaps never will grant a License for Establishing an East India Company at Ostend. A Report is spread, That the *Chevalier de St. George* has passed by Liege.

*Hamburg, Sept. 29.* Some Letters from Moscow say, That there has been an Action between the Czar's Troops and the Inhabitants, near a rapid River called Terkey, and that the former were worsted. The King  
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of Prussia has caused an Edict to be published, forbidding the Jews in his Dominions to marry without previous Permission of what is stiled the Reerutan College.

*Florence, Sept. 8.* Mr. Davenant, the late English Envoy at Genoa, is arrived to take leave of the Great Duke of Tuscany. The *Chevalier de St. George* and his Lady, are still incognito at Lucca, under the borrowed Names of Lord and Lady Cornwallis.

*Paris, October 8.* The Cardinal de Rohan, after the Kings Coronation will go to his Bishoprick at Shasbury. The King's Regiment, after his Coronation, is to be in Garrison at Rheims.

The Duke Chartres and Count Chafolois, diverted themselves lately with Hunting near Meudon, and killed seven Wolves. This Day the King's Wardrobe was sent to Rheims. Next Week the Lord Whitworth sets out for Cambray, and Count Morville follows the 10th Instant, so that the Congress will soon be opened.

*London, September 27.* We hear, the Government having received several Informations of treasonable Practices carried on by the Lord North and Grey, issued Warrants for apprehending his Lordship for High Treason.

Mr. Manning his Majesty's Envoy to the Protestant Swiss Cantons for several Years past, is arrived here from thence.

*From the Flying Post.*

*Milan, Sept. 17.* Count Salvatio the chief Minister of the Duke of Modena is certainly returned, so that its not doubted but the Prince and Princels of Modena will immediately return home to their Father.

*Hague, October 3.* Last Night Nich. Bambeck chief Burgomaster of Amsterdam died suddenly. M. de Lishemarris Major General, and Colonel of a Regiment of Foot in the Service of the States, died the 24th Ult. at Aix la Chapelle, where he went to drink the Waters. He is universally regretted for his great Piety and Charity to the Poor, as well as for his consummat Experience in the Art of War.

*London, Sept. 27.* On the 17th Instant died Edward Elliot Esq; of Port Elliot, Member for Leskard in Cornwall, and late a Commissioner of the Excise. He married one of the Daughters of James Craggs Esq; sole Post Master General, by whom he has had one Son and a Daughter.

*From the Evening Post. Sept. 29.*

*London, September 29.* Mr. Neno, a Gentleman of 25 Years of Age, was committed about 12 Days ago into the Custody of Mr. Crawford the Messenger in Manchester Court, and did on Thursday Night last, make his Escape from the said House, from three Pair of Stairs, by tying two Sheets and a Blanket, got over two Walls, and jumping into the Thames, the Water being High, he was found Yesterday Morning drowned against the Terras Walk of the Privy Garden Whitehall. Its said he had made great Discoveries.

Three Regiments, viz. Clayton's, Montague's and Stanwix's, at Hungerford, decamp next Monday, and march to Marlborough and the Devizes, in order to be quartered there.

It was not Mr. Fountain the Oculist that was taken up as mentioned in our Last. The Lord Chancellour is come to Town.

*From the Evening Post, September 29.*

*London, September 29.* This being the Day for the Election of the Lord Mayor of this City, we are well informed that the Managers of a Party who have always distinguished themselves by Noise and Tumult, concerted a Design to crowd the Hall with such Numbers of Mob, that 'tis much to be questioned whether a tenth Part of the Liverymen will be able to get in.

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*From the St. James's Evening Post, Sept. 29.*

*Rome, Sept. 8.* Advices from Messina say, That a Turkish Consul is arrived there; in order to reside with the same Privileges that are allowed to Christian Consuls; That he has caused the Grand Seignior's Arms to be set up over his Door; and that the Emperor has sent Orders thither, to supply him with such Things (for his Money) as he shall have Occasion for. The Pope has complained of this Affair to the Imperial Minister Cardinal Cinfuegos, who has done all he can to appease his Holiness, assuring him, that as soon as he had received the Emperor's Reasons for admitting that Consul, his Holiness himself will be satisfied with the Emperor's Conduct in that Particular.

*Leighorn, Sept. 11.* A French Ship is arrived here from Salonica, having touched at Malta in his Way; the Master reports, that the Maltese Ships are out & cruising against the Corsairs of Barbary.

Advices from Marseilles confirm the entire Extinction of the Plague there, and that it daily diminishes at Avignon.

*London, Sept. 29.* Thursday last the Rt. Honourable Charles Boyle, Lord Boyle of Marlston, and Earl of Orrery, one of her late Majesty's Privy Council, and Knight of the most ancient Order of the Thistle, being brought to Town in Custody from his Seat at Brittel in Buckinghamshire, was the same Evening examined before a Committee of the Council at the Cockpit; and last Night about ten a-clock at Night, his Lordship was committed Prisoner to the Tower of London, he having been for some Hours before under Examination at the Cockpit.

Yesterday the Lord North and Grey arrived in Town from Guildford, where he had been on Wednesday-night, attended by General Maccartney and Colonel Gordon and a Messenger; his Lordship was met out of Town by his Lady: He was carried to the Cockpit, where he gave up his Sword, being desired so to do, and delivered it to General Maccartney, who conducted his Lordship to his own House till he should be examined.

On Thursday last one Mr. Eale, Attorney at Law, being arrested for Debt, the Officer took his Word till Noon; when he waited on him at his Lodgings in Cutlers Alley, to know whether he would accommodate the Matter with the Plaintiff, or give in Bail; Mr. Eale desired him to stay till 3 in the Afternoon, when he would make all Things easy; about which Time he retir'd to his Closet, and with a Pistol shot himself thro' the Head.

Yesterday about 2 in the Afternoon, at a Meeting of several Justices at Epping, the Reverend Mr. O-neal of the said Town, was bound over to the next Sessions, for refusing to take the Oaths to the Government.

This Day came on the Election of a Lord Mayor for the Year ensuing, when the Recorder made a fine Speech to the Livery Men, who were more numerous on this Occasion than has been for many Years past; wherein he set forth, how they were to choose such Persons as were well affected to his Majesty, the Government and Church of England, as well as Maintainers of the Rights and Privileges of the City. They proceeded to choose Sir Gerard Coneyers and Sir Peter Delme; and tho' they had a Majority of near two to one, yet the opposite Party demanded a Poll for Sir George Martins and Sir Francis Forbes.

*Wye's Letter verbatim, September 29. 1721.*

*Paris, October 3.* IT is now computed, That the Number of taxed Mississippians does not exceed 277, and that the Total of the Sums they are charged with, amounts to 190 Millions of Livres, which make in English Money six Millions and half Sterling. In the first Number are included 4 of the Directors of the India Company, for near 3 Millions of Livres each, and the Inspector of the Bank, and the Receiver General of the Finances of Caen, for one Million and half of Livres each.

Yesterday there was a General Court of our East India Company when (according to what we lately mentioned) the half Years Dividend due at Christmas next, was declared to be 4 per Cent. 'Tis said the Welsh Copper Company are preparing a Bill to be filed in the Exchequer, to oblige the Proprietors that are in Arrear for Calls, to pay the same or relinquish their Shares.

Some Accounts from Leipstick say, it was reported there; that an Express dispatched by the Regency of Hanover, has by the Consent of the Magistracy seized at Inspruck a Secretary who was making off to the Chevalier de St. George.

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The Contents of the Express mentioned in our Last to be arrived from France, can't certainly be known; mean-time 'tis said grand Councils have been held thereupon.

The many Informations and Discoveries that are daily made of Plots and Conspiracies, fill the People with strange Apprehensions and Notions. 'Tis still the Opinion of the Town, that the Packet of Letters found about Mr. Lear's Wife, has been of great Use to the Government in detecting the Designs of the Enemies to the present Administration.

A Committee of Council met last Night, and about 8 the Rt. Honourable Charles Boyle, Lord Boyle of Marlton, and Earl of Orrery, One of her late Majesty's Privy Council, and Knight of the most ancient Order of the Thistle, was brought before that Grand Assembly, which was very numerous; and after a strict Examination, which lasted till half an hour past Nine, his Lordship was committed to the Tower, and conducted thither in a Coach, by General Compton Lieutenant of the Tower, Colonel Ottaway, and Mr. White the Tower Major. Mr. Swartfegon, his Lordship's Secretary, is in Custody.

Yesterday at 3 in the Morning, 3 State Prisoners found means to escape from the House of Mr. Crawford the Messenger, in Manchester Court, near to the Thames, descending from a Window by Blankets and Sheets which they had tied together: Two of which got clear off, but the other, whose Name was *Ninor*, and said to be a Popish Priest ordained at Dublin; and others, that he was a Nonjuring Clergyman, got upon a Wall in a neighbouring Garden, adjoining to the Thames, and it being extremely dark, not knowing the Course of the Tide, leapt in to the Thames, and was drowned.

Yesterday in the Afternoon, Colonel M'Cartney and Mr. Gordon, brought to Town the Lord North and Grey, and this Morning early was carried before the Council, consisting of the Lords Chancery, Carleton, Harcourt, Newcastle, the 2 Secretaries, Mr. Walpole and the Earl Cadogan; and after he had been about 2 Hours, was sent to the Tower in a Barge, it being thought most proper not to send a Prisoner through the City with Arm'd Men, during the Election of a new Lord Mayor, which commenced this Day, when the 2 Sheriffs declared Sir Gerard Conyers and Sir Peter Delme, to have the Majority of Sir Geo. Martins, and Sir Francis Forbes; however, a Poll was demanded and granted; all the Aldermen under the Chair as well as the 4 Candidates were put up as usual, and when Sir Harcourt Masters was nominated, there was great Hissing, on Account of his having been one of the late South Sea Directors.

*P. S.* The Czar is building Castles and Forts on the Frontiers of Crim Tartary and the Georgians who had submitted to him, have retaken from the Persian Rebels the Town of Gongea, and were making up against Chemagni. The Plague in France is intirely ceas'd. Brigadier Ferrars succeeds the late Major General Wightman, in his Regiment, and Colonel Nicolin, Briggadier Ferrars. Next Monday 3 Regiments are to decamp, and march to Malborough and the Devizes, to be quartered there. South Sea 85. India 125.

*Edinburgh, October 4.* Tuesday last came on the Election of Magistrats for this City, when the following Persons were chosen, *viz.* John Wightman Esq; Lord Provost, Thomas Fenton, Roger Hog, Thomas Dick, and William Carmichael, Bailies; George Drummond, Dean of Guild; and William Hutton, Treasurer. Gentlemen well affected to his Majesty and the present Establishment in Church and State.

## ADVERTISEMENT.

Edinburgh, October 4th, 1722.

**T**hat there is a Parcel of Silk Stuffs and Napkins to be exposed to publick Sale, in whole Sale, on the 18th Day of October 1722, at 4 a Clock in the Afternoon, in a Ware House, next Door, and opposite to Robert Blackwood's Merchant in Edinburgh, his Shop up the Exchange Stairs in the Parliament Clois: The Conditions of Sale and the Goods themselves, are to be seen each Day before the Roup, betwixt 2 and 4 in the Afternoon in the foresaid Place.

**¶** A Catalogue of valuable Books, in divers Languages and Faculties, *viz.* Divinity, Law, Medicine, History, Philosophy, Mathematicks, Geography, Agriculture, Architecture, Geometry, Navigation, the Criticks both Ancient and Modern, several Grammatical Treatises, particularly for acquiring the Oriental Languages, being the Library of Dr. JOHN WATSON of *Warrin*, lately deceased, the greatest Part whereof were brought home by the Deceased Dr. WATSON his Brother, after he had travelled over all *Asia*, *Barbary*, *Egypt* and *Palestine*, (who, besides these, brought many valuable *Arabian* MSS. for which the University of Oxford offered a great Sum, but are not to be exposed) with a great many Pamphlets, to be sold by Way of Auction, on Tuesday the 13d. Day of October, at his Lodging in *Dunfer*. The Time of Sale is from 10 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 at Night. The Books may be seen Ten Days before the Auction.